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Following is the estimate [redacted]
regarding the extent of Communist influence among the Chinese in the
principal towns of North Sumatra:

Percent Communist

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| Kota Radja (Atjeh) | 50 |
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Tanjung Pura (45 kms. northwest of Medan) 20

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| Stabat (30 kms. northwest of Medan) | 30 |
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Bindjai (20 kms. west of Medan) 80

* Medan 30

Tanjung Morawa (14 kms. southeast of Medan) 90

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| Perbaungan/Simpangtiga (30 kms. east of Medan) | 85 to 90 |
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| Rampah (19 kms. north of Tebingtinggi) | 10 to 15 |
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Bedagai (17 kms. north of Tebingtinggi) 80

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| Bamban (13 kms. north of Tebingtinggi) | 100 |
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| Tebingtinggi | 10 |
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Kisaran (22 kms. west of Tandjung Balai) 50

** Tandjung Balai. 20

Rantauparapat (65 kms. southwest of Labuanbilik) 20

Kotapinang (68 kms. south of Labuanbilik) 80

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| *** Bagansiapiapi | 15 to 20 |
| Siantar | 80 |
| Brastagi | 50 |
| Padang (West Coast) | 40 |

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- * The figure given for Medan is believed to be an underestimate because other Communists live immediately outside the city.
- ** The Kuomintang is very strong in Tandjun Balai. The Communists are also afraid of the Wedana (district head).
- *** The Kuomintang is very strong in Bagansiapiapi, but its influence is counterbalanced by the infiltration of Communist guerrillas from Malaya.

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